

CM/ECF Version 2.5 Release Notes for Attorneys

Public Access Changes - All PACER Users

- The Civil Cases Report can now be sorted by case title. The new Case Title option was added to the *Sort by* drop-down lists on the selection criteria screen.
- When running a query on a name or date range, the date the case was closed is now displayed in addition to the case number, the case title, and the date the case was filed. Also, defendant names are displayed with their case number hyperlinks for criminal and magistrate cases.
- When a magistrate case is merged into an existing criminal case, documents with identical docket numbers can now be accessed. An example of this situation is when an indictment is Document 1 in a criminal case and a complaint of Document 1 in the magistrate case. When the magistrate case is merged into the criminal case, both documents with document number 1 can be accessed. Previously, if document numbers were the same, the documents could not be accessed.

When documents have the same number, and the hyperlink for one of those documents is imbedded in the docket text of a docket entry, if the imbedded document number hyperlink is clicked, the system returns a screen so the user can determine which document should be accessed. The docket text and document numbers, along with descriptions, are included on this selection screen, as shown below.

Identical Document Numbers

Document Selection Menu

Identical Document numbers for "1" found.

Select the document you wish to view.

Docket Text: COMPLAINT as to Rene Descartes (1), Isaac Newton, I (2). (Gibson, Brandi)

Part	Description	
1	Main Document	1 page

Docket Text: MOTION to Bifurcate by Rene Descartes as to Rene Descartes, Isaac B Newton. (Attachments: # (1) Appendix # (2) Exhibit)(Gibson, Brandi) [1:04-mj-07456-TAA]

Part	Description	
1	Main Document	1 page
2	Appendix	10 pages
3	Exhibit	1 page

- The *Demand* value is now displayed with commas on the Docket Report for ease of readability. For example, the dollar demand **\$213763** now displays as **\$213,763**.
- The system no longer inserts an extra v. designator in the space between the counter claimant/counter defendant pair and the cross claimant/corss defendant pair on the Docket Report.
- The *Notes* section of the Docket Activity Report now appears only once per case number. Previously, the *Notes* section appeared for each item listed, which caused the report to be lengthy and difficult to manage.
- If a document number for a related docket entry is included in the docket text of a docket entry in the Docket Activity Report, the document number now appears as a hyperlink. To access the related document, users can now click on the imbedded document number hyperlink from within the docket text in the Docket Activity Report.

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- When a user is docketing multi-part events, such as a multi-part motion, the order in which the events are selected is the order in which they are listed in the docket text. Previously, the events were always listed in alphabetical order by default, and the user would have to rearrange the order in the docket text if necessary. To facilitate this change, the order in which the events are selected is displayed in the status bar at the bottom of the browser window when the mouse pointer is hovered over the selection list. The information in the status window is modified as the user selects additional events, deselects events, and changes the order, when selecting items from the event pick lists.